

# End of Duty Report

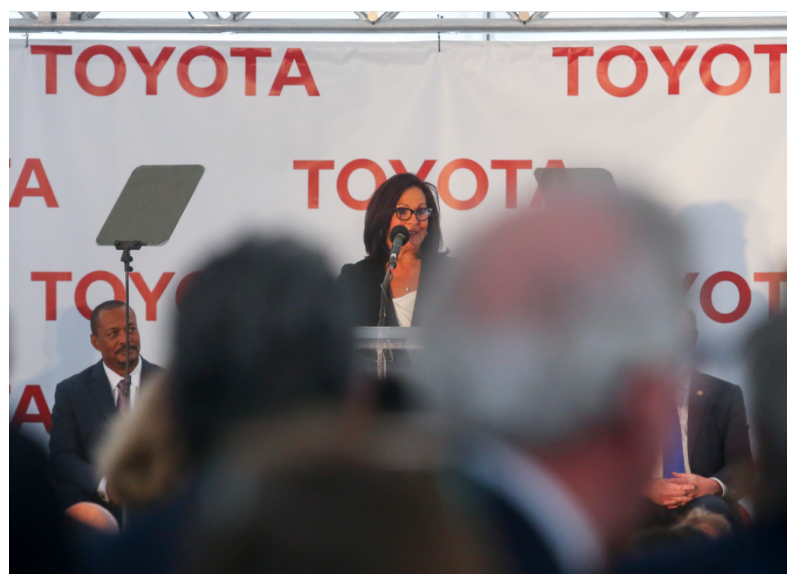
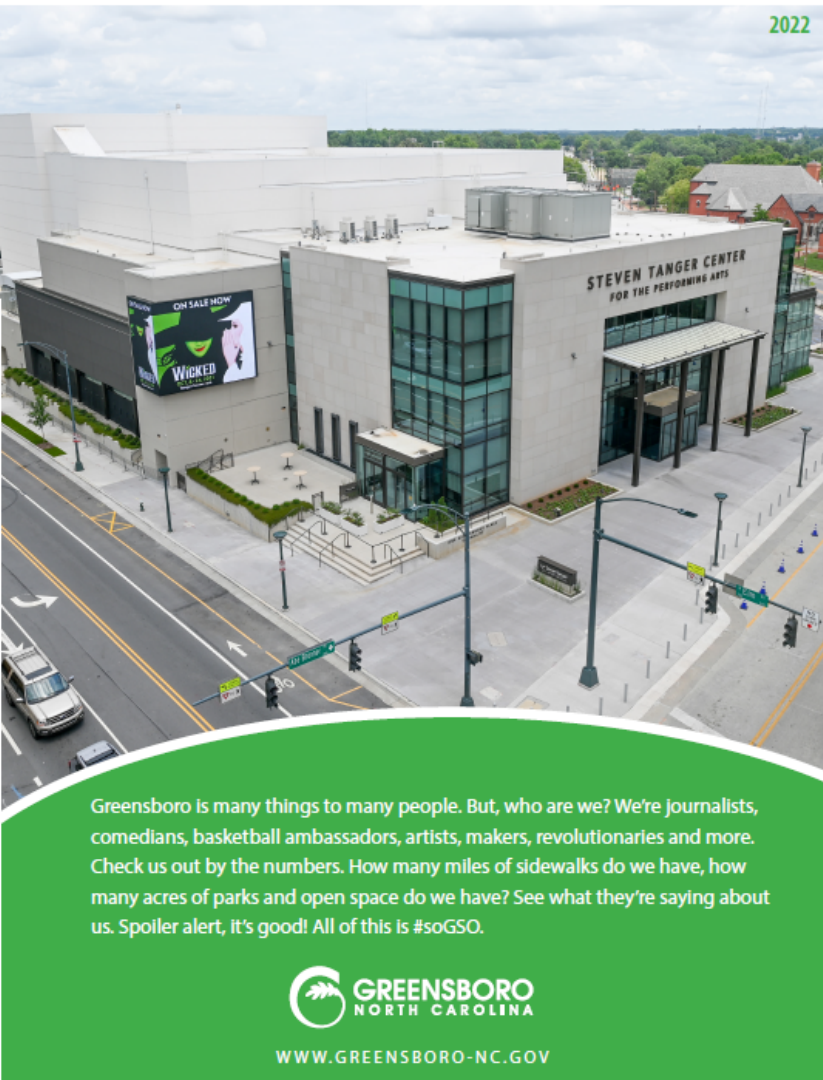
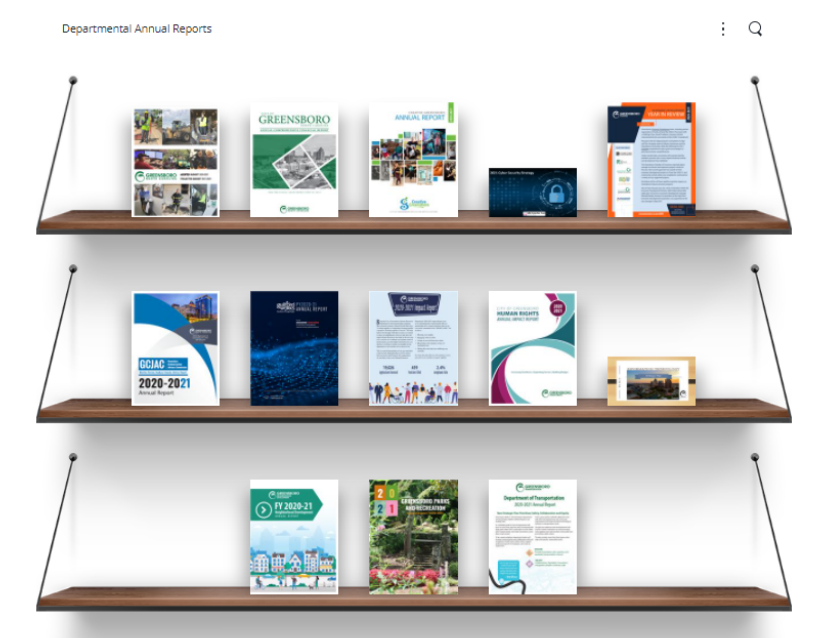
Interim City Manager Chris Wilson  
*June 15, 2021 to January 31, 2022*

Here I present my final report as Interim City Manager. It has been a pleasure serving the residents of Greensboro in this capacity. Thank you for your confidence during the past seven and a half months. I look forward to supporting our new manager beginning February 1.

## Reports, Messaging & Increased Communication

- Established [City Manager Updates](#) to City Council
- All [2021 Annual Reports](#) can easily be found on the City's website in an easy to read format, making it even easier for Council and the public to see what we do.
- Sent [Manager's Minutes](#) messages to City staff on a regular basis, updating on everything from good news to winter weather protocols and safety.
- Sat in on GTN's This is Greensboro Podcast at the [beginning of my time](#) and to [recap my time](#) as Interim City Manager.
- Monthly messages to staff in the [G-Team Employee Newsletter](#)
- Updated the [2022 Infographics Brochure](#)
- In this time frame, our official City Facebook and Instagram accounts have had more than 3.2 Million views to keep track of updates on COVID-19, weather and more.
  - 1.8 Million for Facebook
  - 1.4 Million for Twitter
- The City's NextDoor account is growing rapidly and now reaches:
  - 71,319 registered members
  - 48,394 households
  - 402 neighborhoods

## City of Greensboro Annual Reports



## Advancement/Support/Events

In just under eight months at the helm, I am unbelievably proud of what the City of Greensboro not only accomplished, but what we aided in and how we supported our community. We announced some of the biggest economic development news in our history, supported a return of an in-person NC Folk Festival and made a significant commitment to our infrastructure. Below is a list of some of those highlights:



- NC Folk Festival 2021
- Expansion of Battleground Parks District and Greensboro Science Center
- GuilfordWorks Announces Downtown Emerging Workforce Center and Mobilizes the Mobile Workforce Unit
- Broadening of 500 Youth Jobs Initiative
- Creative Greensboro Launches First Artist in Residency Opportunity an Emerging Artist Space
- Official Opening of Steven Tanger Performing Arts Center
- Opening of Eugene Street Parking Deck
- Opening of AIR All Inclusive Playground at Keeley Park
- Increase of Crimestoppers Rewards and Launch of Cold Case Television Show
- Redistricting
- Expansion of services at the Historic Magnolia House
- Establishment of a new bond referendum to be voted on in 2022
- Advancement of Racial Equity through RACE GSO
- Employee/Community Covid Testing and Vaccination Sites
- Steel Hands Brewing Arrives in Greensboro
- American Rescue Plan Process
- Emergency Rental Assistance Process
- Enhanced Public Safety Recruitment and Retention
- Expanded Employee Benefits
- Advancement of a Minimum of \$15/HR for All Employees
- Toyota Battery Plant
- Guerilla RF Expansion
- Boom Supersonic (aka Project Thunderbird)
- Proctor and Gamble Expansion
- LT Apparel
- First Sustainability Coordinator Position
- Perfect Municipal Equality Index Score
- Expansion of Recycling
- Millions of Dollars in Infrastructure Underway (For Example, in November and December Alone We Passed \$60 Million in Infrastructure)
- One City One Book
- Expansion of Revolution Mill
- Opening of Print Works Mill
- Launch Lab and Transform GSO
- Piedmont Business Capital Community/Business Support
- Pandemic Business and Community Support
- Rhythm Works
- Publix Distribution Construction Continues
- First Permanent Supportive Housing Project
- Digital Cities Award
- Advancement of GSO 2040
- MED Week
- Disability Awareness Training
- Chief Flowers Fire Station 7 Opened
- National and State Media Coverage
- Designation of Katie G Dorsett Council Chambers
- Expansion of Development Services
- Greensboro Parks and Recreation State Awards for Innovation and Excellence
- Advancement of Mayer Park Project
- Safe Routes to School
- First 911 Training Experience for Council Members
- Best City to Drive in Designation
- Hiring of New Finance Director, City Manager and Neighborhood Development Director
- Wyndham Championship
- Best Outdoor Yoga City Designation
- Tornado Damaged Tree Removal Program
- Nomination of Benbow Park Neighborhood to the National Register of Historic Places
- Pieces of Now: Murals, Masks, Community Stories and Conversations received two national awards, this time from the American Alliance of Museums. the Gold Award in Research and Innovation
- Designation as Best Places to Flip Houses
- Construction of New Safety Town at Barber Park
- Strengthened Ordinances Such as Illegal Dumping
- National Night Out 2021
- Camp Spark
- Advancement of Peeler Community Park Project
- Fun Fourth/Downtown Laser Light Show and Festival of Lights
- Designation as Best Run City
- Juneteenth 2021
- Best City for Commuting Designation
- Named 8th among US Metro areas for job posting growth
- Advancement of Townsend Water Treatment Plant Upgrades
- Lights Out for Sustainability Campaign
- Expansion of Piedmont Discovery
- Duke Energy Site Readiness
- Online Plan Tracking System For Development Services
- Outdoor Dining
- Social District
- Advancement of Final Phase of Downtown Greenway
- Operation Yuletide
- Expansion of Human Rights Department
- Marvin Collins Planning Award for GSO 2040
- Expansion of Gateway Gardens
- Addition of Single Family Homes in Willow Oaks
- Updated Airport Overlay District
- Updated Land Development Ordinances
- Heath Park Improvements
- Spencer Love Tennis Center Improvements
- Plans for Core Molding Expansion



Let's end with a BOOM!

